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Remarks

Please reconsider the application in view of the above amendments and the following remarks.

Drawings

The examiner objected to the drawings because the "auxiliary apparatus" as claimed in claim 1 is not shown therein. Responsive to this, the feature "auxiliary apparatus" is canceled from the claim.

The applicant voluntarily makes amendments to Fig. 9 to unify the two reference numbers "400".

Abstracts

The examiner objected to the abstract because the abstract exceeds the 150-word limit. Responsive to this, the abstract has been amended to be in compliance with the 150-word limit.

Objections

The examiner objected to claims 5 and 6 because of typographical errors. Responsive to this, claim 5 is cancelled and claim 6 has been amended accordingly.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. §102

The Examiner rejected claims 1-3 and 5 under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by US Pat No 6,038,894 to Hu. Responsive to this, claims 1-3 and 5 are cancelled.



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Rejection under 35 U.S.C. §103

The Examiner rejected claims 1, 4 and 5 under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over US Pat No 5,727,406 to Banducci in view of EP Pat No 526,409 to Olivari. Responsive to this, claims 1, 4 and 5 are cancelled.

Allowable subject matter

The examiner considers claims 6-10 would be allowable if claim 6 is rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. The applicant has followed the examiner's suggestion and rewritten claim 6 in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.



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Conclusion

The claims 6-10 have been shown to be allowable under the U.S. patent law.

Applicant believes that this paper is responsive to each and every ground of rejection or objection cited by the Examiner in the Action dated November 29, 2005, and respectfully requests favorable action in this application. The examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned, applicant's attorney of record, to facilitate advancement of the present application.

Applicants do not believe that a fee is due in connection with this response. If, however, the Commissioner determines that a fee is due, he is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 19-1345.

Respectfully submitted,

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